

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

1. Please replace the section titled "Cross Reference to Related Applications" with the following:

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This application is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Patent Application 09/598,284 entitled NIGHT VISION SYSTEM UTILIZING A DIODE LASER ILLUMINATION MODULE AND A METHOD RELATED THERETO filed 06-22-2000, now U.S. Patent 6,429,429.

2. Please replace paragraph 35 as follows:

Reflective facets 44 utilize the principle of TIR to reflect light received from aspheric lens 40 towards reflective facets 50. Total internal reflection of the light occurs when the incident angle θ exceeds the critical angle θ_c given by the equation $\theta_c = \sin^{-1}(n_1/n_2)$ wherein n_1 is the index of a refraction of air and n_2 is the index of a refraction of the polymeric material used to construct reflector 16. In an alternate embodiment (not shown), reflective facets 44 can be metalized if the light strikes facets 44 at an angle less than the critical angle.